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Applicant(s):	Matthew Baker et al.	)
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Application No.	10/560,918	)
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For:	MODIFIED HIRUDIN PROTEINS AND T-CELL EPITOPES IN HIRUDIN	)
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Examiner:	Karen C. Carlson, Ph.D.	) Attorney Docket No. MER-142

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER RULE 111

Mail Stop Amendment  
 Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 23 November 2007 on the above-identified application. Please amend the application as set forth herein.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this document.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER RULE 111 is being transmitted by facsimile transmission to Fax No. 571-273-8300 on 12 February 2008.

  
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